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| In re: Application of: James F. Aaron Serial No.: 10/824,265 Filed: April 14, 2004 Group Art Unit: 3679 Examiner: Ernesto Garcia Docket No: 275143.100 | HEAVY-DUTY MAT PANEL CONNECTOR AND SYSTEM FOR CONNECTING MAT PANELS |
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Dear Hon. Commissioner:

The above-identified Applicant respectfully submits the following Response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, mailed on January 17, 2008 in connection with the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

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